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MEMORANDUM FOR NATIONAL FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE BOARD PRINCIPALS

FROM:

Executive Secretary, NFIB

SUBJECT:

The Integrity and Objectivity of National Foreign Intelligende

Estimates

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- 1. In National Security Decision Directive Number 266, Implementation of the Recommendations of the President's Special Review Board, the President on 31 March instructed the Director of Central Intelligence to provide such additional review of, guidance for, and direction to, the conduct of national foreign intelligence estimates as may be required to maintain the integrity and objectivity of the intelligence process. The Directive further ordered the DCI to report the results of his review to the National Security Council, through the National Security Advisor, no later that 31 July 1987.
- 2. In pursuance of the President's Directive, Acting Director of Central Intelligence Gates requests that you provide to MGen Horton, Chairman of the National Intelligence Council, via the NFIB Secretariat, your views about:
 - --how well the current system for producing estimates serves the maintenance of their integrity and objectivity;
 - --any problems you perceive that impinge on the objectivity and integrity of these products; and
 - --any suggestions you may have for improving the objectivity and integrity of these products.
- 3. Once General Horton has received your comments, he will utilize them in developing a briefing to the Board, probably to be delivered in late May. That briefing and your reactions to it will form the basis for the response the DCI will forward to the NSC.
- 4. Please provide your comments to the NFIB Secretariat by noon on 12 May 1987. If the Secretariat has not heard from you by that time, it will take it that you have no comments to offer.

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